



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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House Bill No. 6579

House of Representatives, April 7, 2015

The Committee on Public Health reported through REP. RITTER of the 1st Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENINGS FOR CHILDREN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2015*) Each health care provider,
- 2 who is authorized under state law to perform a physical examination
- 3 of a child five years of age or under for purposes of completing, on
- 4 behalf of such child, the state Department of Education's early
- 5 childhood health assessment record form or the health assessment
- 6 form described in section 10-206 of the general statutes, shall indicate
- 7 on such record or form whether or not the health care provider
- 8 performed a developmental screening during such physical
- 9 examination. For purposes of this section, "developmental screening"
- 10 means a screening to identify concerns regarding a child's physical and
- 11 mental development, including, but not limited to, the child's sensory,
- 12 behavioral, motor, language, social, perceptual or emotional skills.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	New section
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PH *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

The bill, which conforms current practice to statute, is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

OLR Bill Analysis**HB 6579*****AN ACT CONCERNING DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENINGS FOR CHILDREN.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires a health care provider, when completing the state's (1) early childhood health assessment record form (i.e., "yellow form") or (2) public school health assessment form (i.e., "blue form") for a child age five or younger, to indicate on the form whether he or she performed a developmental screening during the exam.

Under the bill, a developmental screening means a screening to identify concerns about a child's physical and mental development, including the child's sensory, behavioral, motor, language, social, perceptual, or emotional skills.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2015

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 27 Nay 0 (03/23/2015)